

**2005 Review Conference of the Parties
to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation
of Nuclear Weapons**

19 May 2005

Original: English

New York, 2-27 May 2005

Working paper submitted by the European Union

**Fundamental elements proposed by the European Union, in
conformity with the Common Position adopted by the EU Council
of Ministers, to be inserted in the Final Document of the 2005 NPT
Conference concerning Main Committee III**

The 2005 Review Conference:

Should reach consensus on the basis of the framework established by the NPT by supporting the Decisions and the Resolution adopted at the 1995 Review and Extension Conference and the final document of the 2000 NPT Review Conference, and shall bear in mind the current situation and shall promote inter alia the following essential issues, including:

Peaceful uses of nuclear energy

1. Recognizes the right of States Parties to the NPT to nuclear energy for peaceful purposes, in accordance with Article IV thereof, with due regard for Articles I, II and III of the Treaty.
2. Notes that the States Parties to the NPT may, pursuant to Article IV thereof, have resort to peaceful uses of nuclear energy, inter alia in the area of production of electricity, industry, health and agriculture.
3. Urges the formulation of guarantees of access to nuclear fuel services, or to fuel itself, subject to appropriate conditions.
4. Notes the report of the IAEA's expert group on Multilateral Nuclear Approaches to the Nuclear Fuel cycle and promotes an early start to its scrutiny by the IAEA.
5. Calls for nuclear cooperation to be suspended where the IAEA is not able to provide adequate assurances that a State's nuclear programme is designed exclusively for peaceful purposes, until such time as the Agency is able to provide such assurances.



Nuclear terrorism

6. Stresses the need to do everything possible to prevent the risk of nuclear terrorism, linked to possible terrorist access to nuclear weapons or materials that could be used in the manufacture of radiological dispersal devices and, in this context, stresses the need for compliance with obligations under Security Council resolution 1540 (2004). Calls for tighter security for high activity radioactive sources. Supports G8 and IAEA action in this regard.

Nuclear safety

7. Underlines the importance of continuing international cooperation in order to strengthen nuclear safety, safe waste management and radiological protection and calls upon States that have not yet done so to accede to all the relevant conventions as soon as possible and to implement fully the ensuing commitments.

Withdrawal from the Treaty

8. Draws attention to the potential implications for international peace and security of withdrawal from the NPT. Urges the adoption of measures to discourage withdrawal from the said Treaty.
